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The Last Words of A Hopeless Drunkard.

The following extracts were taken from one of the lectures of J. J. Talbot, who recently died from the effects of a drunken debauch at Elkhart, Indiana:

But now the struggle is over. I can survey the field and measure the losses. The demon tore from around me the robes of my sacred office and sent me out churchless and Godless, a very hissing and by-word among men. Afterwards I had business, large and lucrative, and my voice was heard in large courts pleading for mercy, justice and right. But the dust gathered on my books, and no footfall crossed the threshold of the drunkard's office. I had money, ample for all necessities, but it took wings and went to feed the coffers of the devils which possessed me. I had a home adorned with all that wealth and the most exquisite taste could do. The devil crossed its threshold and the light failed from its chambers; the fire went out from the holiest of altars, and leading me from its portals, despair walked forth with me and sorrow and anguish lingered within. I had children, beautiful to me, at least—as a dream of the morning, and they had so entwined themselves around their father's heart that no matter where he might wander, ever it came back to them on the wings of a father's undying love. The destroyer took their hands in his, and led them away. I had a wife whose charms of mind and person were such that to see her was to remember, and to know her was to love her. For thirteen years we walked the rugged path of life together, rejoicing in the sunshine and sorrowing in its shade. The infernal monster would not spare me even this.

I had a mother, who for long years had not left her chair, a victim of suffering and disease, and her choicest delight was in reflecting that the lesson taught at her knee had taken root in the heart of her youngest born, and that he was useful to his fellows and an honor to her who bore him. But the thunderbolt even reached her, and there it did its most cruel work. Other days cured all but this. Ah, me! never a word of reproach from her; only a tender caress, only a shadow of a great unspoken grief gathered over the dear old face; only a trembling hand laid more lovingly upon my head, only a closer clinging to the cross, only a piteous appeal to Heaven if her cup was at last full. And while her boy raged in his wild delirium two thousand miles away, the plying angels pushed the golden gates ajar, and the mother of the drunkard entered into rest. And thus I stand, a clergyman without a church, a barrister without brief or business, a father without a wife, a son without a parent, a man with scarcely a friend, a soul without hope—all swallowed up in the storm-mael of drink!

Victory of an Arkansas editor: "We do not leave this community with any regret. We are glad to go. We have not received due patronage from this town, consequently we are pleased to throw up the journalistic sponge. It is the custom for editors to say that they part with their contemporaries with regret. We do not. We have been branded as a thief, and it has been proved that we are a thief, consequently we have no regrets at parting. Those who owe us are expected to settle at their earliest convenience. Those whom we owe must wait."

A Louisiana paper is responsible for the following: A black woman was carried before a magistrate for maliciously beating her son, a saddle-colored imp, and the judge was delivering a reprimand, when the woman broke out with: "Judge, have you ever been a parent to a wolfe yellow boy like dat ar out ob mine?" "Never!" ejaculated the judge, with great vehemence, getting red in the face. "Den don't talk!"

The high school girl does not say, "What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander," but, "The condiment appropriate to the female anther is also suitable to the gentleman of the same species."—[Oil City Derrick.

Rising.

F. M. Thayer, republican editor, postmaster and "Holy Joe," of Evansville, who, assisted by a pretty widow, has made a pretty kettle of fish of it, denies that his intimacy with the p. w. went beyond kissing and declares that he was the victim of "an insane impulse that overpowered him" when he indulged in the osculatory adventure. Now, a man who would kiss a pretty woman and back out of the consequences in this curlew style is fit only for treason, stratagem and spoils. Ifad we been in his place—but then the supposition that we could be in his place is preposterous. We are a democrat and a gentleman, and when we kiss a pretty girl we don't drag her into a closet or wait for the obscurity of night; but when the spirit moves us and tempting lips invite, you can wager that we light on them like a bantam on a June bug. And we are not ashamed of it. Pretty women were made to be kissed and we were made to kiss 'em. But when we kiss them as we inhale aroma from flowers, or gaze on the beauty of sky or earth, reverently and thankfully, and with the homage that appreciation owes to loveliness. Our kisses fall light and harmless on the lips of beauty as the zephyr's kiss on the cheek of the ripening peach. It is not the sirocco blast of passion nor the consuming flame of lust. It is our benediction and blessing on fair youth and ripe, red lips. We love to kiss 'em because they are sweet and then we know how to perform the job gracefully; don't we, Miss—but we will call no names. We are the sort that kiss and never tell. And we'll scorn to sneak out of it like an old Evansville puppy by swearing that we were crazy and did not know what we were doing. Not we, indeed. We are a kisser from Candy-kistown, and don't you forget it.—[Breckenridge News.

AMBITIOUS YOUNG NAVY OFFICERS.

—The young men in the Navy are emulous to go to the assistance of Lt. Greely. Lieutenant Lucien Young, of the Minnesota, now in our harbor, has been studying Arctic matters for several years and has become considerable of an authority among the younger officers. He said to me during the week that Greely had now been two years away and was provisioned to go to the assistance of Lt. Greely. "If we can't reach him by next spring he is gone," said I. "Do you desire, after the experiences of Mellville, Danenhower and others, to press into that frigid country?" "Indeed I do," said he. "Young men in Navy are not so much employed in active service at the present time that a chance like that will not be agreeable." In physique Mr. Young is one of the most powerful men in the service. He was sent to the Naval Academy in 1868 from Kentucky; the muscles in his limbs are like bands of steel.—[N. Y. Tribune.

FAT WIVES PREFERRED.

—Throu' out the Empire of Morocco there are villages where the eldest members of the adult population follow professionally the pursuit of fattening young girls for the matrimonial market of Barbary. The Moors, like the Turks, give a decided preference to "moon-faced" wives over lean ones and are more solicitous as to the number of pounds which their wives weigh than about the stock of accomplishments which they possess. The fattening process begins when the girl is about twelve years old. Stiff maize porridge, kneaded up with grease, is daily fed to her in the form of boluses. If she declines to take them they are crammed down her throat.—[Philadelphia Press.

Twenty-three years ago all the crops of the South were produced practically by negro labor, but now fully one-half is the product of white labor and the entire aggregate is double as much per annum as it was in 1860. The increase is probably not attributable so much to a different system of labor, as to the fact that now the parties who are most interested in the product give their personal attention to farming and planting, whereas their interests were aforetime malily coufided to hired overseers, while the land owners were off on pleasure.

Tar may be readily removed from the hands by rubbing with the outside of fresh orange or lemon peel, and wiping dry immediately. The volatile oils in the skins dissolve the tar, so that it can be wiped off.

STREET TALK.—"How much better you look, Mrs. B.!" "Yes, I have gained 20 pounds on Hall's Catarrh Cure. Have not felt so well in 20 years. It has made a complete cure and is worth \$50 a bottle to any one that has the catarrh."

Corean Women and Men.

Women in Corea hold a very low position and count for nothing in the eyes of the law. They have no social influence and are not held personally responsible for their actions. Polygamy prevails; the number of wives varying according to the standing and influence of the individual, but as the middle and lower classes are not well off they have but one wife. There are no wedding ceremonies and as soon as the husband has paid a certain sum to the father of the bride he takes her home and treats her as he likes. In the higher classes the women are more isolated than in China. In the wall-dotted towns a curious custom prevails. At 9 o'clock on summer evenings and earlier in the winter, the gates are closed and the women are permitted to go out into the streets. Should a man be belated he will be seen hurrying for home with his eyes bent on the ground, so as not to observe the females, and should he meet any, it is his duty to cover his face with his fan and cross the street out of the way of the woman. Strong affection for their children is one of the better characteristics of the Coreans and infanticide is almost unknown.—[San Francisco Chronicle.

Break Her Corset Stays.

While several young couples were strolling along the wooded walks at Sheridan, the other evening, one of the ladies felt that she was being squeezed, but said nothing about it until she noticed that the gentleman who was walking with her was twirling his cane in the hand she imagined was producing the pleasing sensation about her waist. On investigating the matter she was horrified, and her escort terrified, to find a huge black-snake coiled tightly around her. Her "company" wouldn't go within a rod of her, fleeing precipitately when she attempted to approach him. Finally a farmer's boy went to the rescue and whacked the snake on the head with the butt of a whip until it let loose. The reptile was over four feet in length, and had squeezed the girl so tightly that several of her corset stays were broken, and it is feared that two of her ribs are cracked.

It has always appeared to the writer that the mode of killing fowls by wringing their necks was an unnatural one, and also an unhealthy one to the consumer of the fowls. Killed in this way, the blood coagulates in the body of the fowl, and soon becomes putrid. Its tendency therefore is to render the flesh unhealthy. There may be no perceptible taste or smell about it, but decay has commenced, and the germs of disease have been formed. Instead of wringing the neck, let the head be severed from the body at one blow, and the fowl hung up by the feet until the last drop of blood has left the veins. Whatever poisonous or injurious germs may have been in the blood will thus have escaped, leaving the flesh sweet and wholesome. Wringing the neck seems barbarous. When the life of an animal is taken let it be done with as little suffering as possible.

In threshing oats it is a good plan to run at least a portion of straw under cover as winter feed for horses. If the straw is bright and clean it will be eaten nearly as well as hay, and if cut and mixed with meal will maintain a horse at steady work. This is better than feeding whole oats in the straw, for in this condition many will be undigested.

The story recently afloat in the newspapers of the Kansas farmer who shot a quail he saw running up and down his corn rows, supposing it to be pulling up his corn, and subsequently found its chop filled with destructive insects, is at least fifty years old. The only new thing about it is its location in Kansas. But it is a good story, nevertheless.

Specimens of the Kola nut, an African production, and a substitute of coffee, have been sent to England. It is said to be superior to coffee as a beverage; aids digestion, is stimulating and refreshing, relieves depression from over-work, subdues the craving for alcohol and prevents its intoxicating effects.

It is very often the case that churches in the autumn are not warmed until some two or three Sabbaths after the proper time. The dampness gives delicate people a chill which is followed by severe colds. It is therefore a Christian duty to have the house of worship made safe and comfortable.

Edison's Electric Light is a wonderful discovery, but not as wonderful as Hall's Catarrh Cure. For sale by Penny & McAllister.

Better Be A Lawyer.

"Is it true that the case of Zahriske against Van Riper is settled?" asked a reporter of Lawyer L. M. Ward, of Patterson, N. J. This case has been in the courts for a long time.

"Yes," replied Mr. Ward, "the case is settled."

"And it is said, Mr. Ward, that you have come into possession of the farm."

"That's so," replied Mr. Ward, laughing, "I've got the farm, and Garry Ackerson, of Hackensack, the lawyer on the other side, has got all the money. I got a mortgage on the farm, and then I paid the balance and became the owner. The money I paid went to Ackerson."

"And what have the two farmers got, Mr. Ward?"

"Nothing. When we began the case there were two well-off farmers and two poor lawyers. Now there are two poor farmers and two well-off lawyers."

HE WANTED TO BE A GIRAFFE.

Johnny thought it would be nice to be a giraffe, for then he could stand on the ground and eat the apples, pears and cherries that grew on Farmer Jones' trees, beyond the danger of dogs and bear-traps, and could also taste the good things all the way down his neck. But Johnny had a sore throat the other day, and as he laid his head on his pillow upon retiring, he confidently remarked to his mother that he was glad he was not a giraffe, after all. A giraffe with two or three yards of ore throat dwarfed his own affliction into nothingness by comparison.—[Boston Transcript.

PATIENCE.—There are clouds as well as sunshine in this life, and one cannot expect to live continually in the latter. The clouds are sometimes those of adversity, sometimes of sorrow, and often are the shadow of calumny. Patience is required under all these afflictions. Consciousness of innocence where your good name has been assailed should sustain you, and enable you to patiently await future vindication. Be assured that the ignorant and vulgar will believe the worst that may be said of you. The intelligent and just will accord you a fair hearing before they condemn.

A man's transit from one life to the other, or from one world to the other, is like a journey from one place to another, and he takes with him all things that he possesses in himself as a man after death, his death being only that of a terrestrial body, has lost not anything that belonged to himself. He also carries with him his natural memory; for everything he ever heard, saw, read, learned or thought from his earliest infancy to the last day of his life he still retains.—[Swedenborg.

Eighteen years ago last January the first wife of Dr. B. F. Collings was buried, and since the Doctor died a few days ago, her corpse was dug up. The case was found to be in a perfect state of preservation, and the body of the dead woman was also well preserved that any one who ever knew her would know her yet. It is remarkable that such should be the case. Even the box in which the coffin was placed was perfectly sound.—[Spencer Courier.

He'd been waltzing with his ugly elder daughter, and was in a corner repairing damages. Here he was espied by his would-be papa-in-law. "She is the flower of my family, sir," said the latter. "So it seems," answered the young man. "Pity she comes off as, ain't it?" he continued, as he essayed another vigorous rub at the white spots on his coat sleeve.

The heat on the Colorado desert has been greater this season than for many years past, inflicting severe suffering upon those compelled to cross it. For a fortnight the thermometer in the day time stuck persistently at 130 degrees, and the close atmosphere made the heat appear greater than the reality. Tremendous thunder storms have been frequent.

We have often heard of young men becoming somewhat agitated while procuring their license to marry; but the case of our young and enterprising groceryman who signed the name of McDowell, Goddard & Co., instead of his own, to his marriage bond, is beyond parallel.—[Mercer Enterprise.

The biblical proverb, "a tooth for a tooth," comes out all right, but (in printing and writing) it's often an I for a J, instead of "an eye for an eye," as the good book says.

John Armstrong, Vanceburg, Ky., says: "I have been pestered with dyspepsia and general debility; Brown's Iron Bitters has cured me."

A Mother's Love.

Bishop Fraser, of Manchester, England, testified manfully to the self-sacrifice and devotion of his mother.

His father, a man of some fortune, lost everything in iron mining, and died broken-hearted, leaving a family of seven, the bishop at that time being fourteen years old. His mother was a woman of sound sense and great unselfishness. She said, "I cannot give these lads of mine a large fortune, but, by denying myself and living quietly, I can give them a good education." She did so, and he did not understand how she managed it. By God's providence he had the mother spared to him still. She was now paralyzed, speechless and helpless, hut every day when he went into her room and looked on her sweet face he thought of all he owed to her, of what he was, and what he had been enabled to do.

HOW TO GET A NEW CONSTITUTION.

No material progressive step was ever taken by man or nation that was not inspired and accomplished by revolution. And there never was a revolution that did not originate with a minority. All that is necessary is to put forth a right and proper idea and keep agitating it. After awhile the popular mind will grasp it, study it, discuss it and ultimately adopt it, and then the revolution is complete. Let the friends of a new constitution agitate, agitate, agitate the idea of a sovereignty convention, and in the end they will triumph.—[Cloverport News.

It is true that snakes, water rats, &c. are not found in Ireland as elsewhere, but science explains it without reference to the patron saints. During the glacial period, when the present islands were connected by land with the continent, the "varments" were destroyed, and during the melting period only a few fast traveling animals some forty varieties, were able to return, until the channel was formed and further colonization from Europe ceased.

A female crank claiming to be the deserted wife of Postmaster General Gresham, applied to a Flemingsburg law firm to bring for her an action for divorce. She says she was married to Mr. Gresham in 1863, and that he deserted her in a few weeks and she has seen nothing of him since. The lawyers refused to take the case.

Newcomers in the city of Mexico are surprised on finding so many of the conveniences common to large cities at home, such as the telephone, the electric light, a police force and an excellent street car service. The electric lights are on top of iron rods running up from the gas lamp posts.

Virginia is making flour of peanuts, of which she raises 2,000,000 bushels this year. Peanuts, so called in the Old Dominion, were introduced from Africa and are known in North Carolina as ground peas, in Tennessee as goobars, and in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi as pinders.

The selection of potatoes for seed should be made in the field when dug; select the fairest smoothest potatoes, with good eyes; put them in a cool place and on no account part with them before planting, if you would insure a good crop next year.

M. Victor Saint Paul has placed \$5,000 at the disposal of a Paris Academy of Medicine as a prize to any person, whatever may be his vocation or nationality, who shall succeed in discovering an infallible means of curing diphtheria.

Galvanized iron pails for drinking water should not be used. The zinc coating is readily acted upon by water, forming a poisonous oxide of zinc.

The Congregational and Presbyterian ministers of St. Louis have voted to discontinue publishing their notices in the Sunday newspapers.

Women in New York who make shirts for a living earn about 45 cents a day; those who serve as waiter girls in beer saloons make \$1.25.

The Glasgow Times reports a child two years old which weighs 187 pounds. Its parents are said both to be quite small.

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J. T. Morrison, of Worthington, Ind., says one bottle of Brown's Expectant worked like a charm in his family. He is convinced of its wonderful curative qualities. For sale by Penny & McAllister, Stanford, and W. M. Walser, Mt. Vernon.

Rev. C. B. Marshall, formerly pastor of Fourth Presbyterian church, Indianapolis, says he has used Brown's Expectant for years in his family, always with good results. For sale by Penny & McAllister, Stanford, and W. M. Walser, Mt. Vernon.

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W. P. Walton.

Gov. KNOTT has fully determined not to interfere with the execution of the law in the case of Ellis Craft, and today at 1 o'clock he will pay the penalty for the atrocious deed for which he has been twice convicted. He publishes another long letter avowing his innocence, and expressing his fears that a mob will hang him instead of the sheriff. He wants him hanging to be public, so that he can stand with the rope around his neck and proclaim to the crowd and the world, that he is innocent of the crime and that his blood will be upon those who take it. We do not put much faith in his protestations of innocence, for more than one case has come under our observation, in which the condemned man as stoutly denied their guilt as Craft does and then weakened a few hours before the fatal moment, nevertheless we were rather of the impression that a stay of judgment until after Neal's trial, could not effect the public good materially, while it might remove any doubts whatever of his guilt. Gov. Knott, however, says he has carefully examined every detail of the pleadings before him, and can see no good reason why the penalty of the law should be carried out when two verdicts have been rendered against the prisoner and every precaution taken by the State to guarantee him a fair and impartial trial.

CONGRESSMAN Goode, on learning that Mahone had made some slurping remarks about him, publishes a card in which he accuses him of betraying and selling for a price the people who had honored him; of doing more to debauch public morals and ruin the good name of the State than any man who ever lived upon her soil; of bankrupting one of her greatest railroads to fill his own pockets with money he rendered no service whatever for and closes as follows: "Boasting of his prowess as a Major General in the Confederate army, he gave a vote in the Senate by which he attempted to write the word 'Traitor' upon the brow of every Confederate living and the grave of every Confederate dead. Claiming to be a believer in the so-called code of honor, he bears upon his forehead today the brand of 'liar and coward,' placed there by Gen. Jubal A. Early, in the presence of ten thousand people at the city of Richmond. Such a man is unworthy of any further notice from me, and I deem him as beneath contempt." Up to a late hour last night the doughty Major General had taken no steps to avenge the assault upon his character, knowing that the charges are true to the letter. He will take good care not to let his worthless carcass be put up for a target, though all honest men wish he would.

THE New York Sun gives Mr. Barnes the benefit of a reproduction of his letter, in which he acknowledges his sin in bribing a policeman, with some strictures on Mr. Dana. Among the comments on the letter this occurs: "He has done a most praiseworthy thing; it is the loftiest deed of his life; it is the most impressive incident of his ministry; it is an act which few men have the power of soul to do. He has done it in the right way—publicly and before the whole world. Brother Barnes is a famous preacher, and we believe he claims to possess the gift of working miracles; but never before did he preach a sermon as this; never did we hear of his performing any miraculous deed half so astounding as that for which we now give him full credit in the presence of the whole community."

POLICE Judge Mapel, at Hazel Green, Wolfe county, did not allow any bulldozing around him. In his court the other day, he fined two men for disorderly conduct, when Butler Patrick, a bully and desperado, came in and attempted to release them. He ordered him out but he continued his violence, when the Judge procured a pistol and shot him three times, mortally wounding him.

NOTWITHSTANDING the efforts of the Government to crush out polygamy, the Mormon church of Utah has increased 23,000 in the last six months, and it is daily growing. It seems strange that women will go there to divide affections with six or eight other wives in a common husband, but perhaps they think a piece is better than no man at all.

THE Methodist church in Canada, did a wise thing in striking out the word "obey" from the marriage service. No woman ever remembers that promise and it is wrong to make her begin her wedded life with a lie.

HURRAH FOR HOADLEY!

Ohio not Only Elects a Democratic Governor But a Democratic Legislature.

The Prohibition Amendment Defeated.

The victory of the democrats in Ohio is complete. They not only elect Hoadley by from 10,000 to 12,000, but a democratic legislature by twenty on joint ballot, thereby assuring a democratic U. S. Senator. The prohibition amendment is also defeated. The result is no less surprising than gratifying. It had been thought that Hoadley had made a bad canvass and then by getting sick, had lost his chances of election. But the good people aided by the *Nice-Journal*, have done their duty bravely and well. How great the revulsion against the republicans is shown in the fact that Foster was elected Governor by over 17,000 majority two years ago and at the same time a Legislature that was two-thirds republican. It was a grand victory gloriously won and gives another assurance that the people are everywhere determined that the republican party must go. His election gives Hoadley a big boom as a presidential candidate and the result in Ohio with the tidal waves that have swept over other States, insures the election of a democratic president almost beyond a peradventure.

Speaking of the result the Louisville Commercial (Ind.) says: The election of Hoadley and the entire democratic ticket in Ohio, besides securing the Legislature and a democratic Senator, gives the democratic presidential boom a new impetus which cloud republican hearts with gloom.

In the year 1857 the revenues of the government exceeded its expenditures by a little over a million dollars. From that time until after the close of the war the expenditures exceeded the revenues, the excess for 1865 being nearly a thousand millions. The following year, however, there was a surplus of more than thirty-seven millions, and every year since there has been a more or less heavy balance on that side of the account, notwithstanding the many extravagant appropriations by Congress. The smallest surplus was in 1874, when it amounted to little more than two millions. In 1881 the surplus was more than a hundred millions; the following year there was a surplus of more than one hundred and forty-five millions and for last year the amount was one hundred and thirty-three millions.

To show that our news is not altogether from democratic sources, we copy the following head-lines from yesterday's Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, edited by those lovely republicans Murat Halstead and Deason Richard Smith. Ohio election. No longer any doubt about the result. Hoadley and the entire State ticket elected by majorities ranging from 8,000 to 10,000. Legislature democratic on joint ballot. Prohibition Amendment certainly defeated.

THERE are one hundred members of the Bankers association in attendance at the Louisville meeting. Comptroller Knox made an address upon the different systems of banking, comparing the National system with the old State banks before the war. He said the experience of twenty years shows the National system to be the best yet devised, having won to its support its former opponents.

CALICO CHARLEY FOSTER, the dirty old liar who disgraces the gubernatorial chair in Ohio, is one of the leading lights of the republican party in that State, who must go and there will be no grief at his funeral. The miserable slander that he tried to retail to the effect that Hoadley had given \$50,000 for his nomination, has reacted like a boomerang against him.

Mr. John F. Slater, of Norwich, Conn., the donor of a gift of \$1,000,000 for the education of Southern colored people, is to have a gold medal struck in his honor by order of Congress.

IOWA, joined to her idols, went republican as usual. Sherman is elected Governor by 20,000 and the Legislature is strongly republican.

FORAKER made 105 speeches during the Ohio canvass, but they were so informally that the people rebuked him at the poles unmercifully.

A little over twenty and half miles an hour is the fastest recorded bicycle time. This was once accounted good railroad time.

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

Sam McDonald was hung at Fort Wayne, Ind., Tuesday for murder.

A mule, 174 hands high, and weighing 1,475 pounds, was offered for sale in Midway, last week.

Seventy head of mules, at a cost of \$14,000 were purchased in Louisville of Seagren, Hudson & Co., through a Spanish agency, to be shipped to Panama.

Six thousand acres of valuable land—the Thornton tract—in Fairfax County Virginia, within twenty miles of Washington and upon which is a railroad station, was sold this week at the remarkably low price of \$1 per acre.

Clark County National Bank Stock sold this week at \$197.50.

Simon Mack & Co., clothing manufacturers of New York, have failed for \$400,000.

James King, aged 70, string of life, hanging himself with a plow line, in Mercer, Wednesday.

Humphrey Crittenden stabbed George Hotchinson through the heart at Georgetown Tuesday. Both are colored.

Memphis had another fire Monday night. Greenlaw's Opera House and other buildings were destroyed. Loss \$165,000.

Collector Crumbaugh is on trial in Louisville for using government official stamps for his own private correspondence.

United States Deputy Marshal Perry and Weatherford shot and killed each other in a fight over a game of cards, at Fayetteville, Ark.

The L. & N. has compromised with Mrs. N. H. Putnam, of Campbellsville, by paying her \$3,500 for injuries she received while stepping from a train recently.

Henry T. Wright, defaulting postmaster of Racine, Wis., has been sentenced to the penitentiary for five years, and to pay a fine of \$5,000, the amount of his deficit.

The comparison of the votes in Ohio, made with the vote cast for Secretary of State Newman in 1882, who received a majority of 19,115. There are 1,619 wards and precincts in the State.

The earnings of the L. & N. road for the eight months ending August 31 show an increase of \$367 per mile over the corresponding period of 1882. The total is \$829,979.

Two Paris editors who have traduced Sarah Bernhardt's character were challenged to a duel by her son, Maurice. The editors declined to meet him because of his illegitimate birth.

Wednesday was Governor's day at the Exposition. Governors Porter, of Indiana, Murray, of Utah, Crittenden, of Missouri, Jarvis of North Carolina, and our own Knott were present.

The floor of a granary, containing 1,400 bushels of oats, gave away near Moorhead, Minnesota, suffocating four men who were asleep in the room beneath, and seriously injuring several others.

The earthquake in San Francisco on Tuesday night was the heaviest experienced since 1868. Many persons rushed naked from their homes, and walked the streets the remainder of the night.

The Western Union Telegraph Company handled forty million messages during the past year, at a net profit of \$7,600,000. The length of the Company's lines was increased during the year 10 per cent.

During the eleven months ending October 1, 1883, 251 National banks have been organized with a capital of \$28,977,500 and circulation of \$7,583,280. The total number of National banks now is 2,308, with a capital of \$484,880,000.

At Dodge City, Kan., Bill Smith shot Harrison Hiceman, the ballet breaking spinae. An Hiceman fell he grasped Smith, wrenched his pistol from him, blew his brains out and then reloaded the pistol and fired two more shots into Smith's body, after which he fell back dead.

GEO. O. BARNES IN ENGLAND

"THE LORD"
LAUREL LODGE, TATTERDOWN LANE,
MUSWELL HILL, London N. W. Sept. 24, '83.

I will drop another communication from dear Miss Barnes's hospitable villa, whence we depart this afternoon, after a most delightful week of unvarying kindness that links her name with this English Evangel in our loving memories at least, for all time to come. Her elastic drawing room and generous tea-table have been found responsive to all demands upon them, though the closing Bible Reading on Saturday last, tried both to their utmost capacity. Nearly all who came to the reading remain to tea, as a rule, and it needs abundant householding resources to meet the heavy call for refreshments. Laurel Lodge will always be dear to us, also, because our generous sister entertained our beloved American friends, Misses Coralie Walker, of Richmond, and Annie Cecil, of Danville, who spent the day with us, Saturday, remaining for the Bible Reading and then going over to Wood Green to the Hall preaching. Major Burnam and Tuttt supper with us after service, last night, when the Wood Green meeting closed. To-day we all scatter again to the "four corners"—the young ladies to Paris; the Major and son to Ireland, preparatory to sailing on the 29th inst. In the Arizona, we to Bexley Heath in Kent for a 10 days meeting previous to going to Scotland again. No language can describe our pleasure in meeting these dear ones of Manassah, for "blood is thicker than water," and "our own" must needs be dearest, ever.

The Wood Green meeting was unique in this respect, nearly the entire congregation were christians throughout the 8 days. The dear LORD gave full liberty in preaching, every one that came seemed greatly blessed, and all went happily, though there was not a single confession among the unconverted. It is in this respect, perfectly unlike any other meeting held since we began. But we are sure the harvest will come, under the tent. Mark the prediction. If it comes while we are in Scotland, we hope to have one meeting in it, even in the comfortable month of November. George and Charley Wood are full of eager plans for heating it with portable stoves, laying on gas from the street main, dooming it with a thick coating of dry sawdust and seating the imaginary congregation.

These dear, whole-souled fellows have become so identified with "the Troupe" and their work, that I want you all to know them better. George is about 35, has been a great wanderer over the world, living on the West Coast of Africa; in Australia, New Zealand, and when this gospel revolutionized his life, meeting his unrest with perfect peace, he was just on the point of again leaving England for Australia. Now he is quite content to settle at home and work for the LORD "anywhere, everywhere, still to follow on."

Charley is a younger brother, 26 or 8, a farmer, and as grand a good fellow as

George, which is about all I can say, unless you knew them personally. The noble *fratrum*. While we were at Bexley Heath, Iridale, they hardly missed a meeting at Harkney and Drill Hall, and often came with a bumper of vegetables from the Grange garden, or fresh laid eggs and golden butter from the poultry yard and dairy, adding to our comfort in housekeeping not a little. We would sometimes visit the young bachelors, and be sumptuously entertained, enjoying tennis on the lawn, or the laughable antics of "Jack," (George's pet rooster)—a veritable "trip" of Barnaby Rudge—who with the gray African parrot, and the little green Australian ditto; and the four Masaff pups, cowering in the stable yard; and "Dash" the Spaniel, fat and old, but still useful in finding lost tennis balls, and wonderfully trained to do cunning things as he sits bolt upright on his haunches after the educated dog fashion; the world over; and the snow-white cat, also capable of doing things not generally done by cats; and the coal-black ditto, sleek and useful, but uneducated; and the little jet Irish cow that don't allow herself to be milked except by the man whose regular business it is; and all these things within and without a quaint, ancient farm-house of wood, with low ceilings, and rambling stair case and out rooms, little and big, furnished in pretty styles, the ancient and modern commingling very attractively; these may give a rough idea of the "Grange" as it is just now. The rather numerous family are all back now from the sea-side, and our jolly bachelors have subsided from solo proprietors into two members of the family, but we are still welcome guests. We spent the day there, yesterday, dining and taking tea between the meetings making the better acquaintance of the kind widow-mother and the lovely sisters—a very happy and attractive family circle, with whom we shall have more to do, when the tent is pitched. That imaginary epoch is already beginning to be a landmark in our English existence, you see.

Late last night we received a sad note from our dear William Noble. "Noble William"—ever so it ran:

"Dear Brother Barnes:

The dear wife is dying. She is full of joy and peace. Pray for us. Ever yours, WM. NOBLE."

We still trust, "hoping against hope"—that she will live. Wife has gone over this morning with Willie to see if she can be of any use. O, this ruthless invader of our lives! Who can think of death but as the "enemy," the LORD ever holds him to be. Thanks to the grace that out of even this "enemy" can bring forth good. But death is an "enemy" always. And he shall be a "dead death" one of these days, Praise the LORD. "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." Thanks be to God.

Yesterday we "broke bread" with the "Brethren" again, and wonderful to relate, I was asked to officiate at the table. We had a blessed time, remembering together the LORD'S death. I can not praise HIM enough that He has thus again brought me into contact with this large body of saints, in a peaceful way. I have another invitation to hold a meeting in another of their Halls at "High Barnet" from Nov. 4th to 18th, after the Glasgow service. What does it mean, we are asking, in great amazement.

By the courtesy of our dear friend Will Ellis, we visited the famous Bank of England last Saturday morning. A "permit" duly signed and countersigned admitted us to a reception room, whence we were led by a Bank Porter, in light chocolate all-white coat with silver gilt buttons, scarlet waistcoat, and black pants, first to the great room where the Director's meet to settle questions that affect the finances of the world. It is a handsomely furnished apartment, with a long and broad table, massive and appropriate, and with great doors of solid polished mahogany; all quite in keeping with the greatness of the institution. There we were taken to the room where a dozen or more clerks were busily counting and sorting cancelled notes. The Bank of England hills—the least of which is one for £5 or £25—is a very plain unornamented affair, only conspicuous for the delicacy of its water lines, and exceeding toughness. It is well nigh impossible to counterfeit it, but at the first glance you would never take it for a Bank bill. It has 3 rough edges, like the present fashionable note paper, being printed in long strips of two notes each, severed in the middle, perpendicularly, giving each note one smooth end, though reversed in each second bill, of course. No ornament but a medallion figure of Britannia on the upper left hand corner and the £ sign heavily shaded in the lower ditto, with the word "five" in heavy black German text after it. "F. May, Cashier" is the magic word that represents so many millions, in the lower right hand corner. Printing in running text, perfectly plain and black, upon a paper pure white. Not a color of any sort in either figure or words. It is nearly twice as large as our greenback. Such is the famous Bank of England note. Put once into circulation and cancelled as soon as it comes back into the Bank for redemption in coin, and laid away for 5 years. After that destroyed. If you take a £5 note, say, to get the gold for it, you must first write your full name and address on the upper margin of the back of the bill. Then presenting it at one of the desks, where the clerks seem all elderly men,—as like "Mr. Lorry, of Tellson's" as two peas—one of them will enter the date No. of bill, nature of coin given in exchange, and instantly tear off the Cashier's name. Then he hands you your money. At another side of the same room you can get silver for gold, if you wish.

But to return to the printing room. Six or 8 presses are going; 3 turning off Bank bills of the various denominations most used—5, 10, 20 pounds sterling. One printing postoffice orders of £1 each, others making official blanks used in the Bank's business. The Cashier's name is printed with the rest of the bill, and one is unused to see all these representations of untold value passing through the hands of rough workmen, the pedantic side fed into the voracious machines by boys—going in at one end and break paper and coming out a perfect 5, 10 or 20 pound note. I suppose robbery is well nigh impossible, but it

looks risky. We did not seem to be sharply watched; came near and handled the precious alloy; but no doubt plenty of eyes were on us.

After this we went through great apartments, devoted to "dividends," "consols," and common banking purposes; all spacious, airy, swarming with clerks, dome lighted, and in keeping with the grand institution. In the centre is an open quadrangular space where a fountain plays, making the pretty umbrella pattern of water sparkling. A great lime tree is there and plants tastefully arranged. An old Church yard occupied the spot where many generations ago the "Old Lady of Threadneedle St." settled herself. The Bank occupies a great quadrangular space almost equal to an American "block," one high storied structure of massive stone; with 4 entrances on 4 streets. Nothing imposing in the external appearance, but tremendous solidity. At the point where six streets converge, two of them bounding two sides of this great Bank, more people pass in a day, the year round, than any spot on the planet. It is the geographical centre of the earth, if population can make a centre. And this unrivalled temple of Mammon is the appropriate centre of the earth, as it now exists. Another temple shall be its centre in another spot one day; not far off now, thank God.

Our last views were of the vaults where the bullion is stored. To those precincts we were admitted after due formalities, gaslights turned on making all as light as day; our little party preceded by a grave looking elderly gentleman, the superintendent in charge of the subterranean treasure vaults; and followed by a bright-eyed, heavy-set man, who looked as if he could "hit out from the shoulder" on a moment's notice. Beyond this no precautions visible. We were allowed to handle the golden ingots, brick shaped and valued at nearly \$5,000 each. In the vault we visited there were only one million pounds in ingots and half a million in bags of light coins, all waiting coinage and recoinage. After inspecting a wondrous machine for weighing gold intended purposely for the Bank and in use no where else, we took leave. No gratuities allowed to be taken by the servants of the Company for chaperoning visitors; and treatment most courteous on every hand—marked this exceptionally pleasant visit. I forgot to mention that in one room where we looked through a grating, but were not allowed to enter, money machines for automatically weighing sovereigns, were going, a light coin being instantly detected and dipped off into a separate hopper, while the good ones went into their appropriate receptacle.

Wife and Willie just returned and report dear Mrs. Noble, not only not dead, but better. PRAISE THE LORD. Ever in Jesus,

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